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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. **(Original)** A method of minimizing blood reflux from an episcleral vein or reducing pain during eye surgery, comprising:

placing a glaucoma implant into an eye of a mammal; and

administering a vasoconstrictive agent to the eye to reduce blood flow through the episcleral vein or reduce pain.

2. **(Original)** A method of minimizing blood reflux from an episcleral vein or reducing pain during eye surgery, comprising:

advancing an implant from an anterior chamber through trabecular meshwork toward Schlemm's canal; and

administering a vasoconstrictive agent to eye tissue to decrease blood flow through the episcleral vein or reduce pain.

3. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the vasoconstrictive agent is an alpha agonist.

4. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the administering is topical.

5. **(Original)** The method of claim 2, further comprising administering a second agent to eye tissue.

6. **(Withdrawn)** The method of claim 3, wherein the second agent is tetracaine.

7. **(Withdrawn)** The method of claim 3, wherein the second agent is brimonidine.

8. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the vasoconstrictive agent is an eye solution with a pH between 4 and 8.

9. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the vasoconstrictive agent is an active ingredient in an eye solution at a concentration between 0.01 and 2 weight percent.

10. **(Original)** The method of claim 1, wherein the implant is configured to be placed through the trabecular meshwork such that a proximal terminal of the implant is exposed to the anterior chamber of the eye and a distal terminal is exposed to Schlemm's canal of the eye.

Claims 11-14 **(Canceled)**